

Chinese will have to make one in self-defence. He further disapproved any idea of an alliance with China in any form, which, he said, would certainly not be to the advantage of Great Britain.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. steamer *Malwa*, with the English mail of the 27th February, arrived here yesterday morning. The subjoined telegrams are extracted from Ceylon and Indian papers:

THE HILDAH IN ENGLAND.
The special correspondent of the *Times* telegraphs from London on the 11th March, that the *Hilda* which was wrecked through the fault of the English, arrived on Sunday at last, after having been in the hands of the crew for nearly a month.

The vessel had been driven twenty feet in depth, blocking most of the railway and was for hours, there being also a hurricane in the Channel, and all the Continental mails have been suspended. The *Hilda* mail-boat *Victoria* steamed from Dover to Calcutta, having had a fearful passage of fourteen hours in which she was frequently swept by the sea. The *Hilda* of Edinburgh arrived, Rotterdam, fearing to touch, remained overnight at Dover. Many minor shipping casualties are reported. The *Lydia* of London, which lost seven of its crew in going out to the rescue of the crew of a distressed steamer, returned the attempt, and lost three more men.

A coast-guardman at Beaulieu Head has been found frozen to death.

A number of fishing smacks have been lost at Hastings. Altogether twenty vessels were reported to have been lost in the Channel.

Several people have been buried in the snow, and the "lying Dutchman" is snowed out at Tooten, the Duke of Edinburgh being one of the passengers.

GRANDS OF PURCHASE OFFICERS.
A meeting of the Grand Officers of the House of Commons was held yesterday when it was resolved that the chairman of the recent deputation should seek a further interview with Mr. Stanhope and ascertain precisely how far Government is prepared to go to remedy the grievances of purchase officers.

MR. O'BRIEN A BANKRUPT.
Mr. O'Brien has filed a petition in the bankruptcy court in consequence of having to pay costs in the suit for damages which he brought against Lord Salisbury.

MANIFESTO BY PARNELL.
A manifesto has been issued by Mr. Parnell to support the delegates who have been sent to the United States, and assist in quelling the mutinous feeling among the party.

MEASURES O'CONNOR.
Messrs. O'Connor, O'Connor, Reilly, and Harrison, Parnell's delegates, have arrived at New York.

END OF THE SHIPPING STRUGGLE.
The shipping struggle is over, and the Federation has been broken up. The *Union*, which was the last of the shipping companies, has been broken up.

A FRENCH BANK IN A CRITICAL POSITION.
A large deposit bank, Paris, 12th March, has summoned a meeting of bankers to stop the bank from liquidating the liabilities of the deposit bank, whose difficulty arises with the Argentine Government, the bank having neglected to pay dividends for several years.

DEATH OF HERR WINDSTORF.
Doctor Windstorff, the Parliamentary leader of the Catholic party in Prussia, died on the 14th March.

DR. LUDWIG WINDSTORF.
Dr. Ludwig Windstorff was born in 1812. He studied at Göttingen and Heidelberg. After having held several offices in the legal profession, he became in 1833 Minister of Justice in Prussia, and in 1838 Minister of the Interior. He was a member of the Prussian Parliament, and in 1867 he entered the Prussian Parliament, and continued to be a member of the Prussian Parliament until his death.

ANOTHER PORTUGUESE OUTRAGE ON BRITISH IN EAST AFRICA.
News has been received that the Portuguese at Beira have seized two boats with supplies for a hunting party bound to Mashoonland. Two of the boats were burnt, and the supplies were destroyed. The Portuguese are to be severely punished for this outrage.

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.
The House of Commons met on the 13th March. The business of the day was the consideration of the report of the Select Committee on the East India Company.

THE NEWFOUNDLAND GOVERNMENT.
The Newfoundland Government has decided to send a commission to the United States to investigate the claims of the Newfoundland Government against the United States.

THE ARGENTINE ANTI-LOAN.
The Argentine Government has decided to refuse to accept a loan of £1,000,000 offered by the Argentine Government.

ACCIDENT TO AN ANCHOR LINE.
The Anchor Line steamer *Nubia*, from Liverpool, with passengers and general cargo, arrived here yesterday morning, having been delayed by a heavy fog.

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

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SHANGHAI SHIPPING.
March 24. Arrivals from Shanghai:
24. *Yokohama*, from Shanghai.
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18. British ste. *Roanoke*, Nibet, Mar. 15, from Southampton for Port Said.
19. N. ste. *Bromo*, Siam, Mar. 7, from Rotterdam for Batavia.
20. British ste. *Chisholm*, Crosby, Mar. 14, from Samarang for Delagoa Bay.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

TUESDAY, 31st MARCH.
CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
EXCHANGE.

AGENCY.
Telegraphic Transfer, 3/11.
Bank Bill, on demand, 3/2.
Bank Bill, at 90 days sight, 3/2.
Credits, at 4 months sight, 3/2.
Documentary Bill, at 4 months sight, 3/2.

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VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & REG.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO.	TO BE DISPATCHED.
LONDON, via SUEZ CANAL.	Oriental	Brit. str.	Stewart	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at Noon.
LONDON, via SUEZ CANAL.	Gloucester	Brit. str.	Duke	Butcherfield & Co.	On 4th inst, at 3 p.m.
LONDON, via SUEZ CANAL.	Opak	Brit. str.	Kepp	Arnold, Matthews & Co.	On 4th inst, at 3 p.m.
MARSHALLS VIA SUEZ CANAL.	Salsola	Brit. str.	Frederick	Messageries Maritimes	On 8th inst, at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE.	Yokohama	Brit. str.	Marshall	Adams, Bell & Co.	On 7th inst, at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA YOKOHAMA.	Belgia	Brit. str.	Frederick	O. & S. S. Co.	On 14th inst, at 1 p.m.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.	Harlow	Brit. str.	R. W. Boyd	Messageries Maritimes	On 14th inst, at 1 p.m.
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c.	Harlow	Brit. str.	R. W. Boyd	Messageries Maritimes	On 14th inst, at 1 p.m.
VLADIVOSTOK VIA SUEZ CANAL.	Michael	Brit. str.	Frederick	Adams, Bell & Co.	On 14th inst, at 1 p.m.
YOKOHAMA, NAGASAKI, &c.	Yokohama	Brit. str.	Marshall	Adams, Bell & Co.	On 14th inst, at 1 p.m.
SANDAKAN & KUDAT.	Sandakan	Brit. str.	Frederick	Adams, Bell & Co.	On 14th inst, at 1 p.m.
STRAITS & BOMBAY.	St. Paul	Brit. str.	Frederick	Adams, Bell & Co.	On 14th inst, at 1 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, &c.	Singapore	Brit. str.	Frederick	Adams, Bell & Co.	On 14th inst, at 1 p.m.
SHANGHAI.	Shanghai	Brit. str.	Frederick	Adams, Bell & Co.	On 14th inst, at 1 p.m.
SWATOW AND HANGKOW.	Swatow	Brit. str.	Frederick	Adams, Bell & Co.	On 14th inst, at 1 p.m.
SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW.	Swatow	Brit. str.	Frederick	Adams, Bell & Co.	On 14th inst, at 1 p.m.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

FOR SWATOW AND HANGKOW.
THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
THE Company's Steamer.

"PHEA CHUA CHOM KUAO."
Captain J. A. Morris, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-DAY, the 1st of April, at 9 a.m.

FOR FREIGHT OR PASSAGE, apply to YUEH PAT HONG, Agents, Hongkong, 21st March, 1891.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.
THE Steamship.

"OCEANA."
Captain J. A. Morris, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-DAY, the 1st of April, at 10 a.m.

FOR FREIGHT OR PASSAGE, apply to YUEH PAT HONG, Agents, Hongkong, 21st March, 1891.

STEAM TO STRAITS AND BOMBAY.
Calling at COLOMBO if sufficient inducement offered.

"VENEZIA."
Captain T. P. Croft, will leave for the above Ports TO-DAY, the 1st of April, at Noon.

FOR FREIGHT OR PASSAGE, apply to J. S. VAN BUREN, Agents, Hongkong, 21st March, 1891.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.
FOR LONDON, via SUEZ CANAL.

"GLEN."
Captain Duke, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 1st of April, at Noon.

FOR FREIGHT OR PASSAGE, apply to J. S. VAN BUREN, Agents, Hongkong, 21st March, 1891.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship.

"HARROW."
Captain Croft, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 2nd of April.

FOR FREIGHT OR PASSAGE, apply to J. S. VAN BUREN, Agents, Hongkong, 21st March, 1891.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.

"MEMNON."
Captain Duke, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 1st of April, at Noon.

FOR FREIGHT OR PASSAGE, apply to J. S. VAN BUREN, Agents, Hongkong, 21st March, 1891.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA NAGASAKI AND KOBE.
(Passing through the SUEZ CANAL.)

"THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer."
Captain T. P. Croft, will leave for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 4th of April, at daylight.

FOR FREIGHT OR PASSAGE, apply to J. S. VAN BUREN, Agents, Hongkong, 21st March, 1891.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

"GLAUCUS."
Captain Hannan, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 7th of April, at daylight.

FOR FREIGHT OR PASSAGE, apply to J. S. VAN BUREN, Agents, Hongkong, 21st March, 1891.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA (FLORENCE & RUSSIAN UNITED COMPANIES).

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND BOMBAY, having connection with the Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, (LEGHORN), and GENOA, all Mediterranean, Adriatic, Levantine, and South American Ports.

Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF AND BAGDAD.

"BISAGNO."
G. Orango, Master, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 7th of April, at Noon.

FOR FREIGHT OR PASSAGE, apply to J. S. VAN BUREN, Agents, Hongkong, 21st March, 1891.

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON.
THE Company's Steamer.

"OAPACK."
C. H. Kemp, Commander, will be despatched as above on about the 7th of April.

FOR FREIGHT OR PASSAGE, apply to J. S. VAN BUREN, Agents, Hongkong, 21st March, 1891.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, AND ADELAIDE.
(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND Ports and taking through cargo to New Zealand.)

"AIRLIE."
Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 10th of April, at 4 p.m.

FOR FREIGHT OR PASSAGE, apply to J. S. VAN BUREN, Agents, Hongkong, 21st March, 1891.

FOR VLADIVOSTOK VIA NAGASAKI.
THE German Steamer.

"MICHAEL JESSEN."
Captain J. C. Matheson, will be despatched on about the 10th of April.

FOR FREIGHT OR PASSAGE, apply to J. S. VAN BUREN, Agents, Hongkong, 21st March, 1891.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
THE S.S. A. J. British Steamer.

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